VDIA Vermont Dairy Cow Quality Nomination Rules

- 1) Producers submitting results must have their product collected in a bulk tank.
- 2) Samples submitted must have been collected according to state collection rules.
- 3) For results to qualify they need to be ran at a certified laboratory.
- 4) If not affiliated with a cow milk handler all files sent in for consideration must be accompanied with the official paperwork from the lab.
- 5) Results must be reported as follows
 - a. Raw dilution of 1,000 Ex. count of 10 = 10,000
 - b. Past dilution of 10 Ex. count of 2 = 20 count of 10 = 100
 - c. Pi dilution of 1000 Ex. count of 6= 6,000
 - d. SCC <100,000 has to be reported as the actual count Ex. 28,000 or 56,000 we will no longer accept <100,000.

Nomination Criteria

Quality Attribute	Yearly avg.
Raw (Standard Plate Count)	≤ 5,000
Lab Pasteurized Count	≤ 100
Preliminary Incubation Count	≤ 25,000
Somatic Cell Count	≤ 120,000
Inspection Score	≥ 90%